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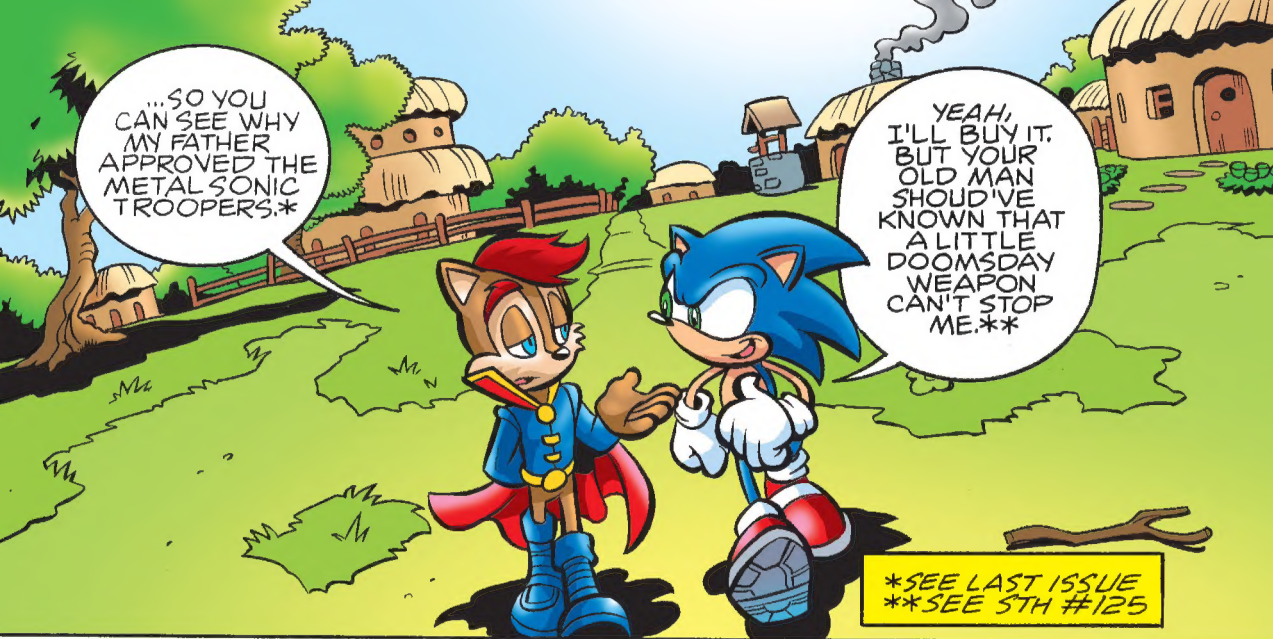


THE HEDGEHOG



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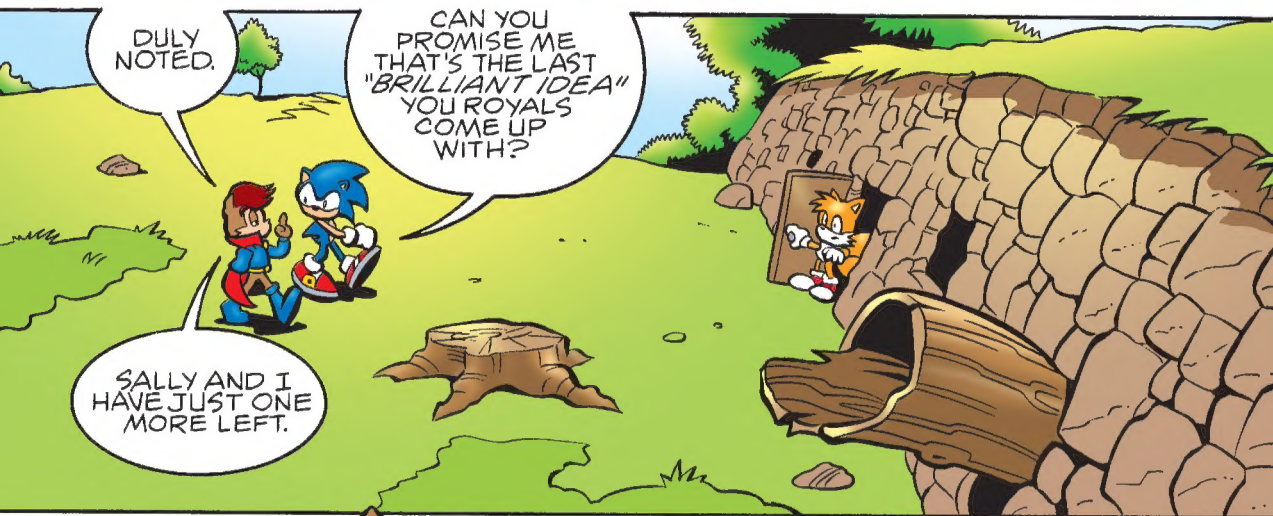
OUT OF THE BLUE



...SO YOU CAN SEE WHY MY FATHER APPROVED THE METAL SONIC TROOPERS.*

YEAH, I'LL BUY IT. BUT YOUR OLD MAN SHOULD'VE KNOWN THAT A LITTLE DOOMSDAY WEAPON CAN'T STOP ME.**

*SEE LAST ISSUE **SEE 5TH #125



DULY NOTED.

CAN YOU PROMISE ME THAT'S THE LAST "BRILLIANT IDEA" YOU ROYALS COME UP WITH?

SALLY AND I HAVE JUST ONE MORE LEFT.



OH, YEAH?

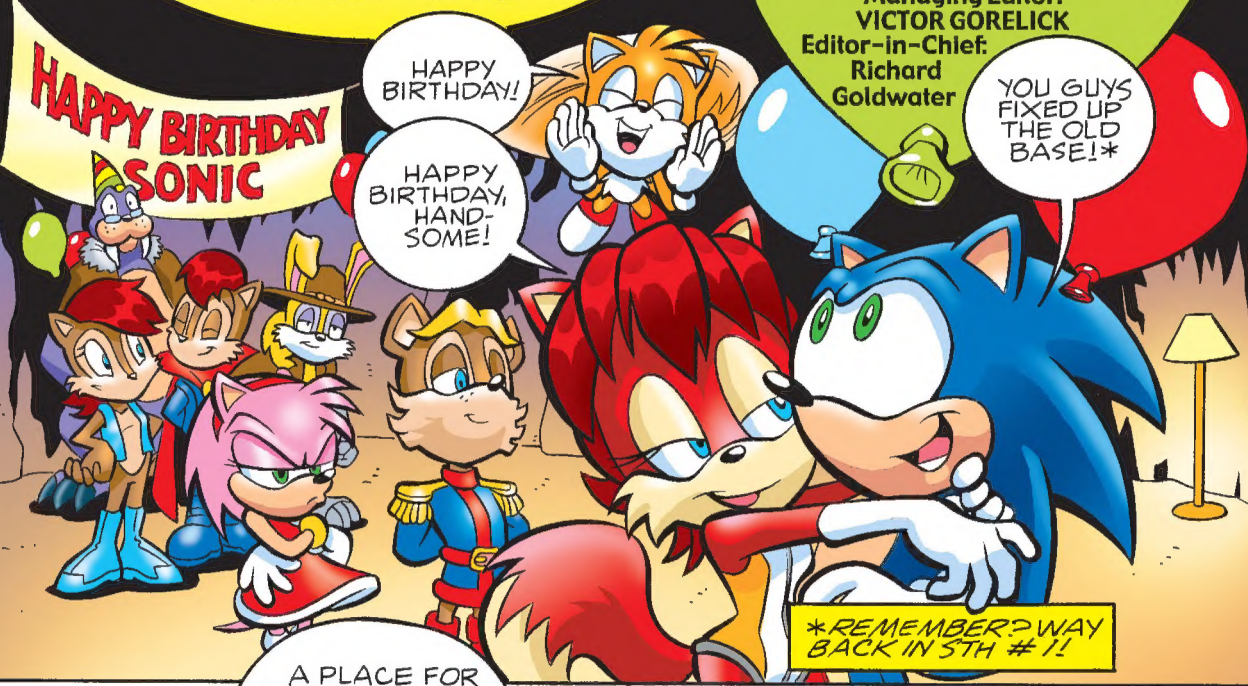
YOU'RE NOT NIXING THE GREAT OAK SLIDE, ARE YOU?

THE EXACT OPPOSITE, SONIC.

BIRTHDAY BASH!

Part One: GIVING AND RECEIVING

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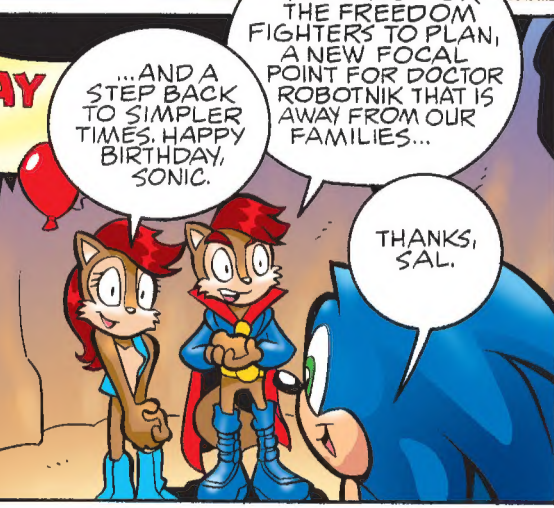


HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

HAPPY BIRTHDAY, HANDSOME!

YOU GUYS FIXED UP THE OLD BASE!*

*REMEMBER? WAY BACK IN 5TH # 1!



A PLACE FOR THE FREEDOM FIGHTERS TO PLAN, A NEW FOCAL POINT FOR DOCTOR ROBOTNIK THAT IS AWAY FROM OUR FAMILIES...

...AND A STEP BACK TO SIMPLER TIMES. HAPPY BIRTHDAY, SONIC.

THANKS, SAL.



SO, BLUE... HOW OLD ARE YOU NOW?

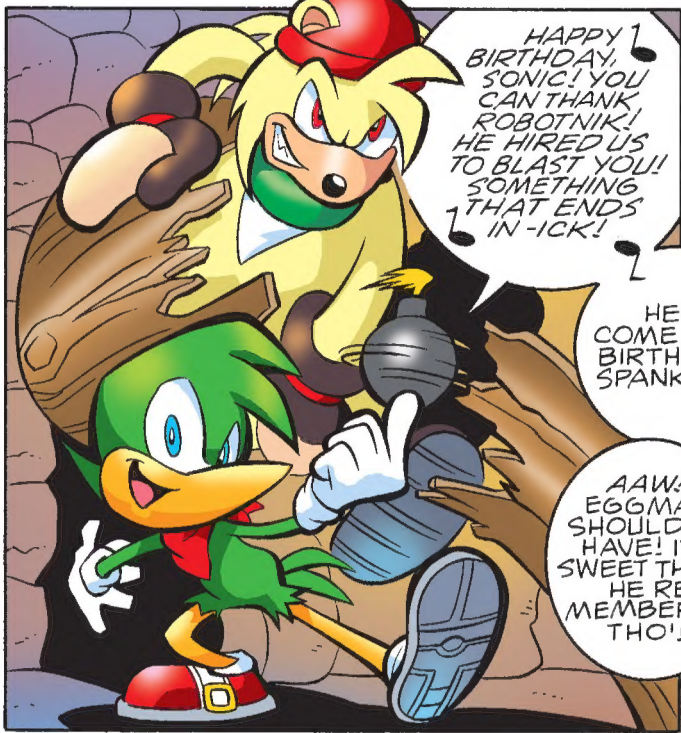
WELL, IF WE TAKE HIS TRIP INTO SPACE INTO ACCOUNT... **

LET'S CALL ME A TEEN FROM NOW TIL FOREVER.

**SEE 5TH#126



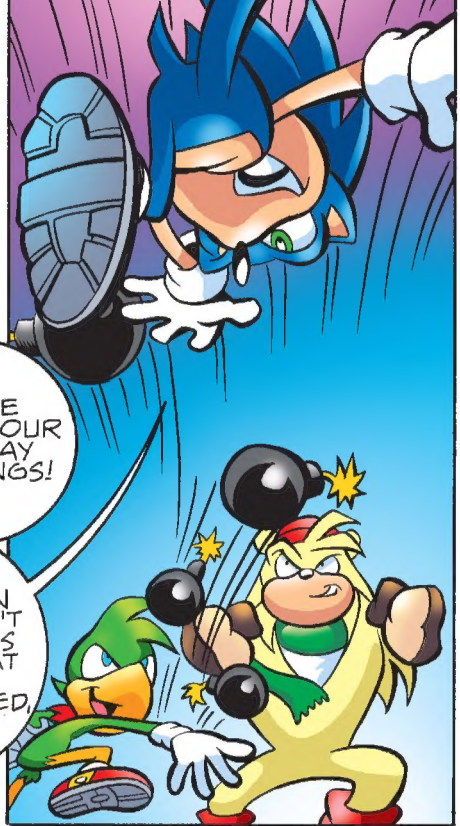
KA BOOM



HAPPY BIRTHDAY, SONIC! YOU CAN THANK ROBOTNIK! HE HIRED US TO BLAST YOU! SOMETHING THAT ENDS IN-ICK!

HERE COME YOUR BIRTHDAY SPANKINGS!

AAW! EGGMAN SHOULDN'T HAVE! IT'S SWEET THAT HE RE-MEMBERED, THO!

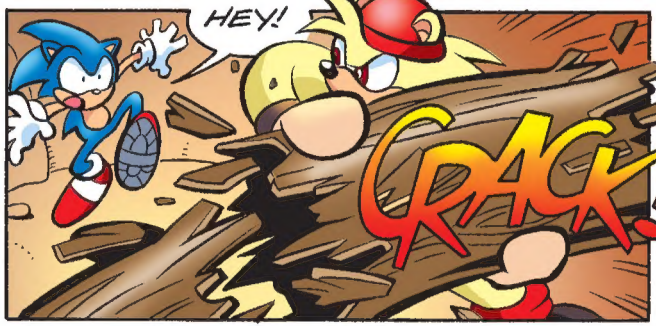


WITH NACK IN JAIL*, I GUESS HE HAD TO SHOP FOR NEW THUGS. YOU LOOK LIKE QUITE THE FIGHTER!

AND ONE FOR YOU!
AND ONE FOR YOU!
AND ONE FOR YOU!

BAM!

*SEE 5TH #154.



HEY!

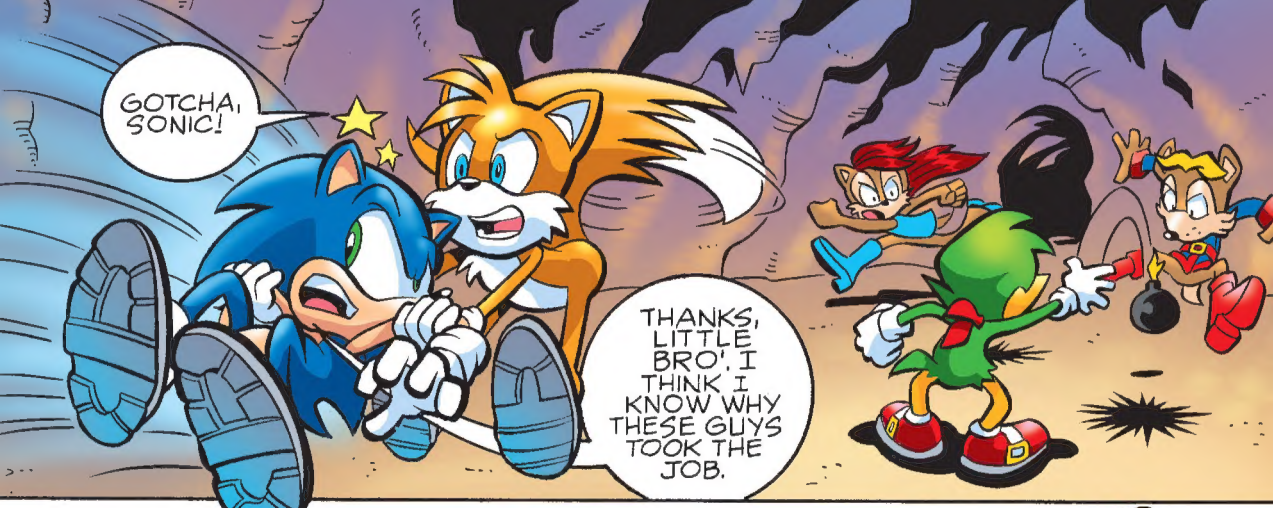
CRACK!



WIND

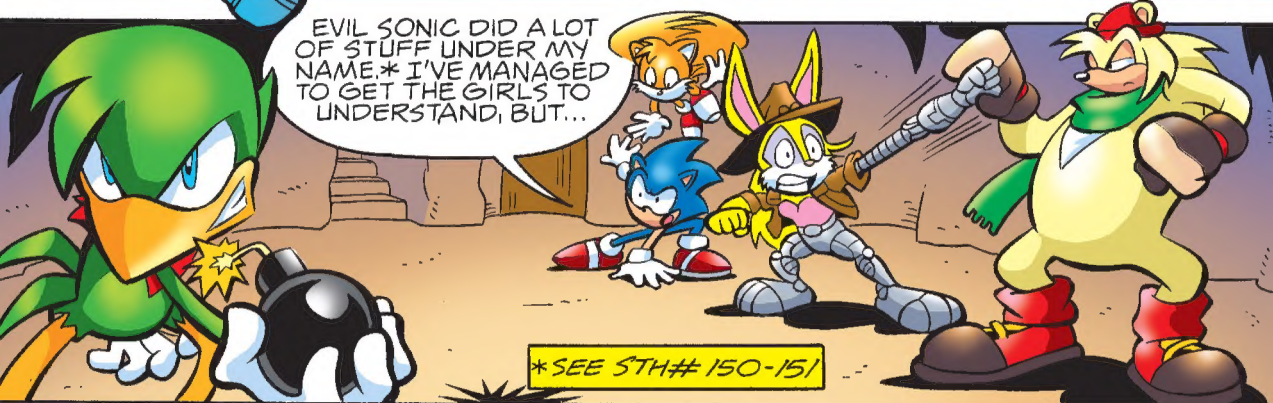
DON'T TRASH THE GREAT OAK SL-

OOOF!



GOTCHA, SONIC!

THANKS, LITTLE BRO', I THINK I KNOW WHY THESE GUYS TOOK THE JOB.



EVIL SONIC DID A LOT OF STUFF UNDER MY NAME.* I'VE MANAGED TO GET THE GIRLS TO UNDERSTAND, BUT...

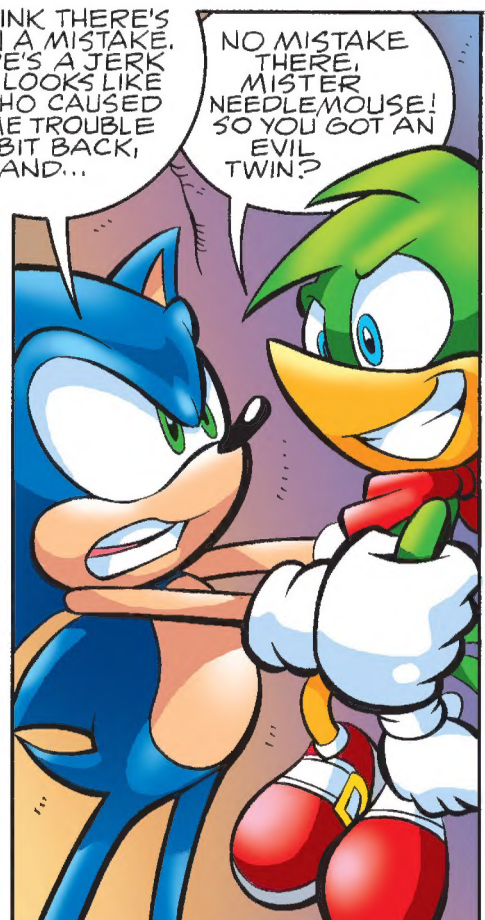
*SEE 5TH# 150-151!



TIME-OUT, BUDDY!

I THINK THERE'S BEEN A MISTAKE. THERE'S A JERK WHO LOOKS LIKE ME WHO CAUSED SOME TROUBLE A BIT BACK, AND...

NO MISTAKE THERE, MISTER NEEDLEMOUSE! SO YOU GOT AN EVIL TWIN.?



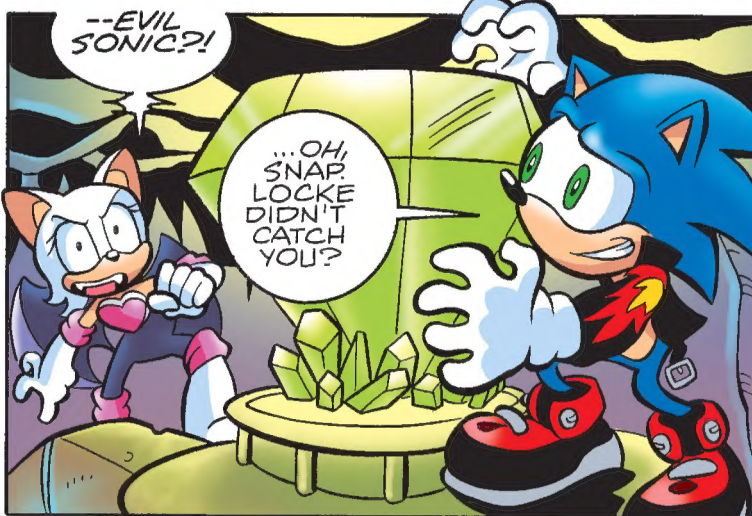


"FRANKLY, COBALT, I DON'T GIVE A DARN!"

NOW THIS IS MORE LIKE IT!



LET THE MASTER THIEF STEAL THE GEM, AND LEAVE THE DECOY DUTIES TO--



--EVIL SONIC?!

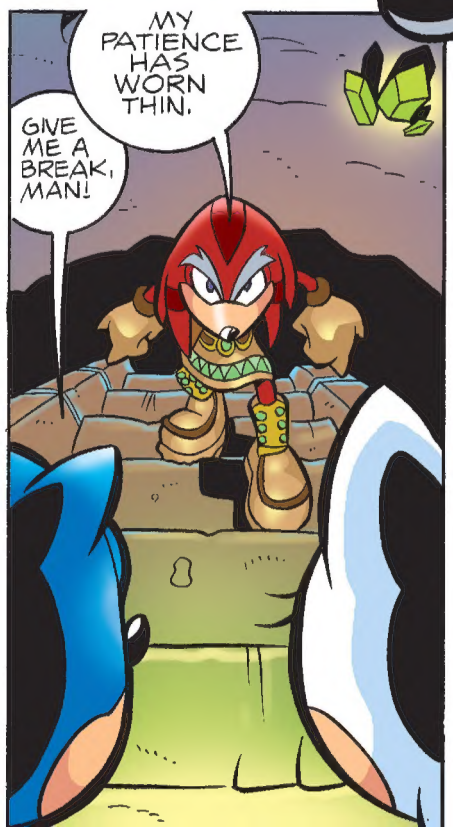
...OH! SNAP LOCKE DIDN'T CATCH YOU?



THE DEAL WAS... YOU DISTRACT HIM THIS TIME!

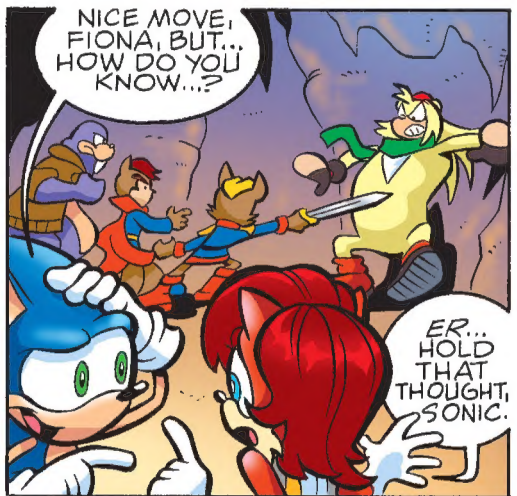
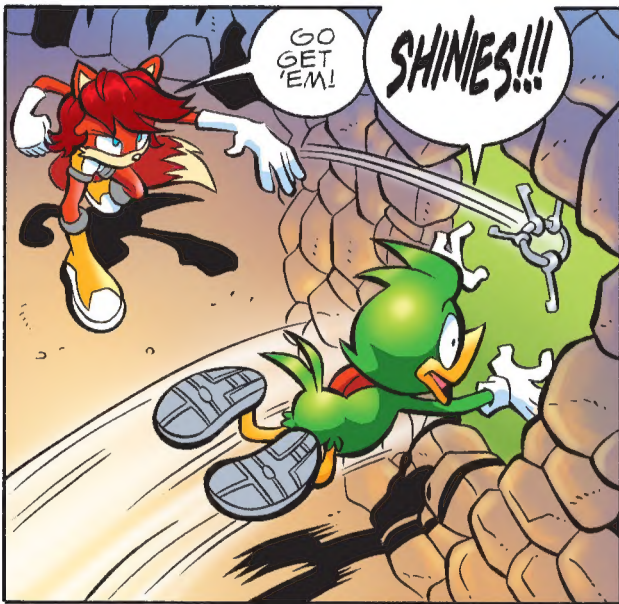
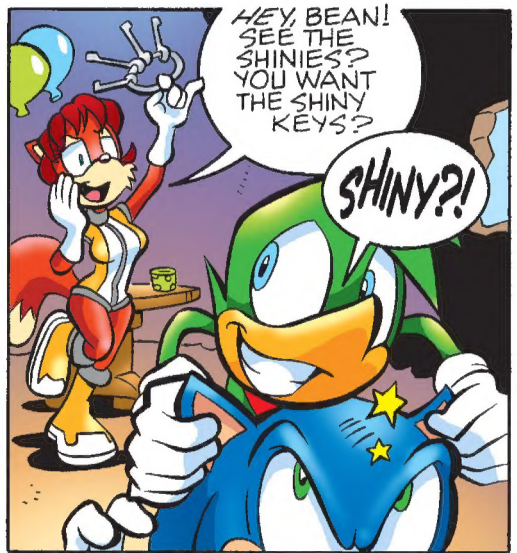
I DIDN'T SEE HIM, SO I FIGURED HE'D GOTTEN TO YOU ALREADY!

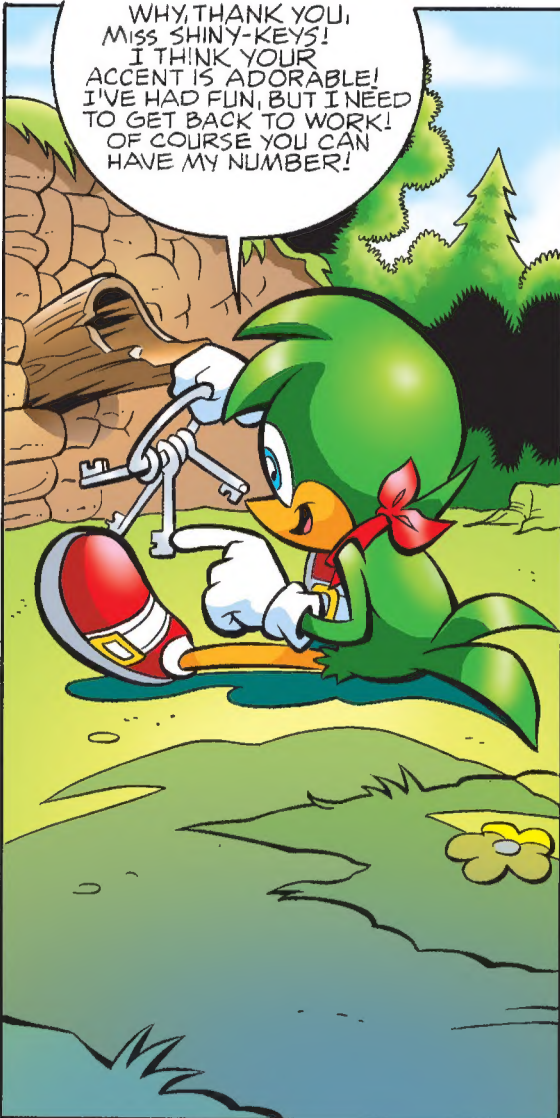
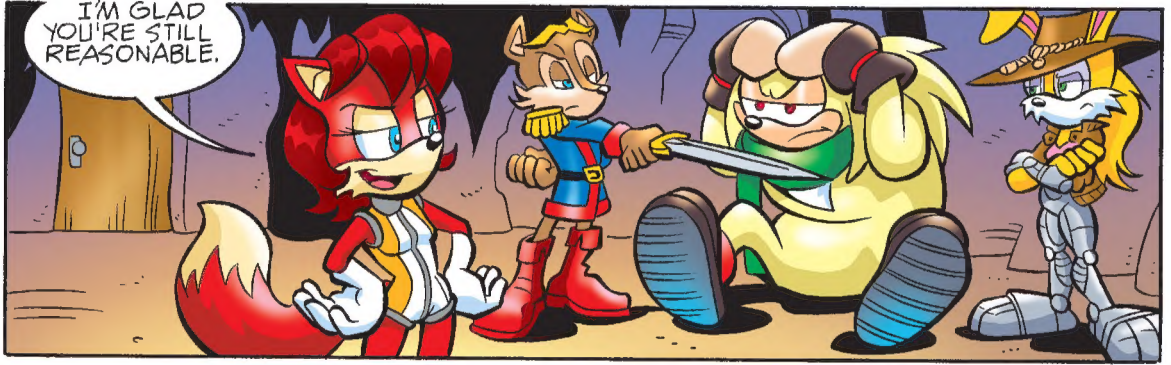
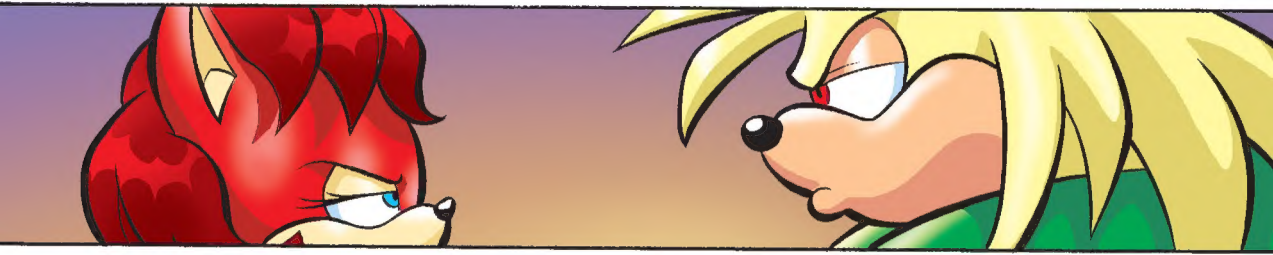
AHEM.



MY PATIENCE HAS WORN THIN.

GIVE ME A BREAK, MAN!

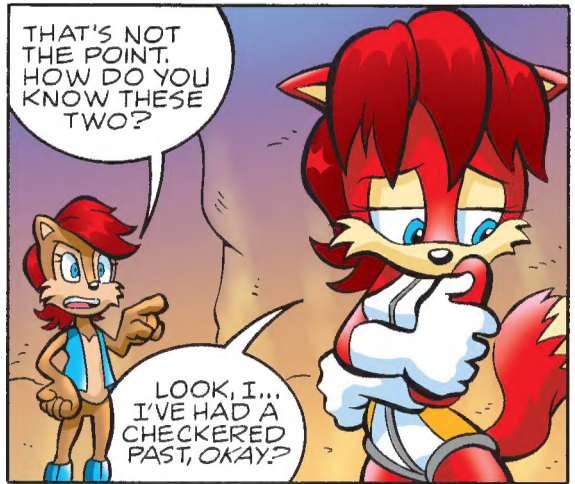






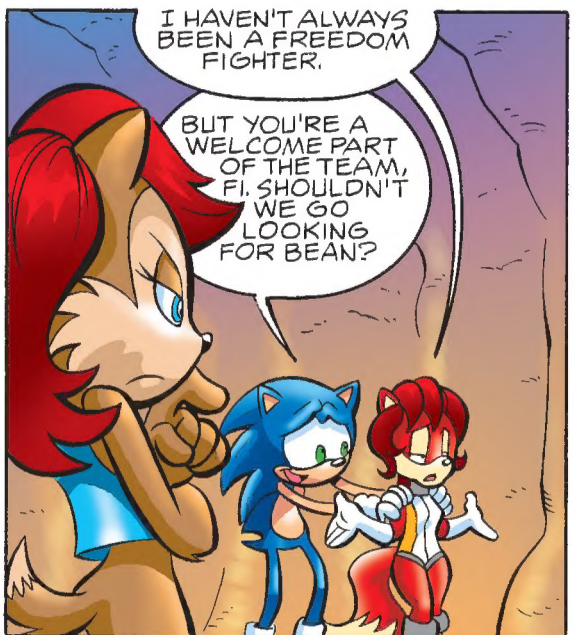
YOU HAVE A LOT OF EXPLAINING TO DO, FIONA!

SORRY FOR HELPING OUT. GO, TEAM.



THAT'S NOT THE POINT. HOW DO YOU KNOW THESE TWO?

LOOK, I... I'VE HAD A CHECKERED PAST, OKAY?!

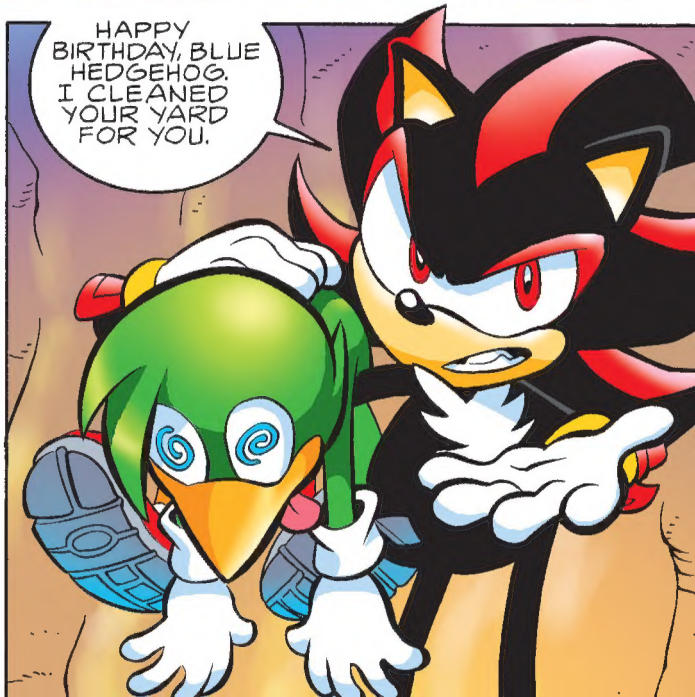


I HAVEN'T ALWAYS BEEN A FREEDOM FIGHTER.

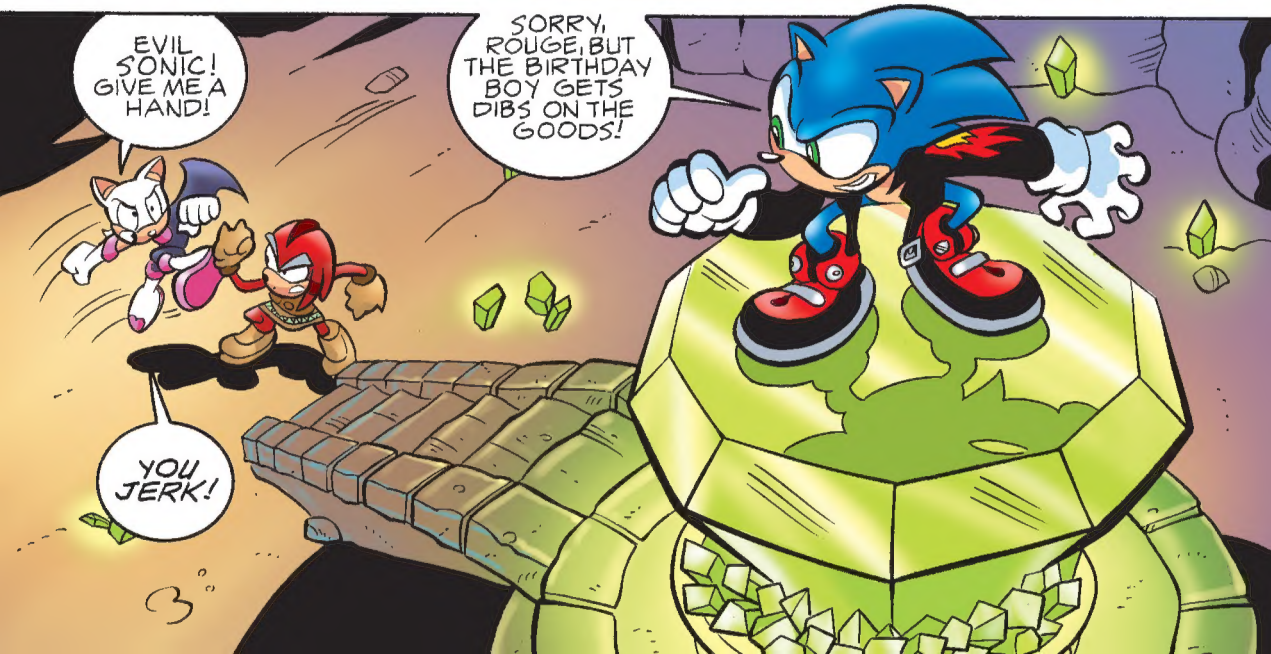
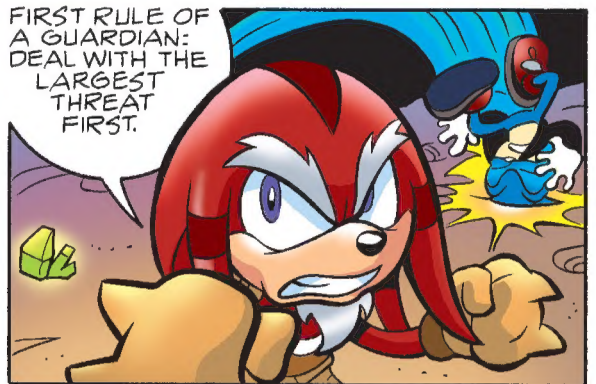
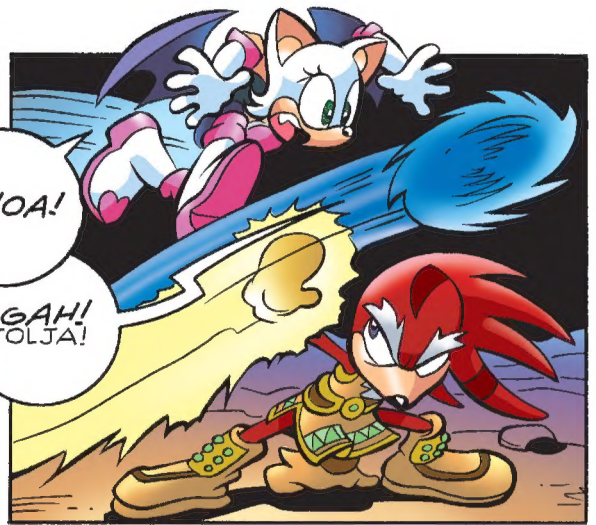
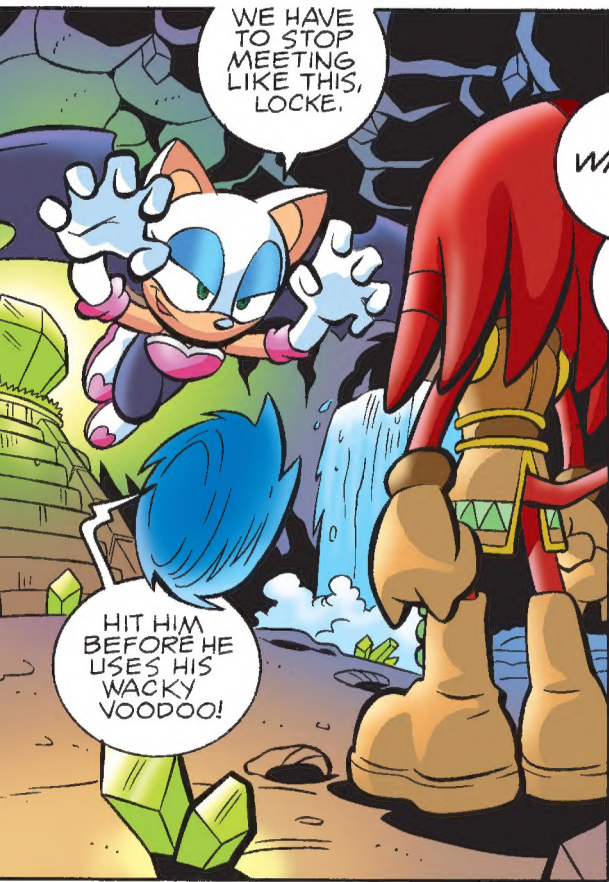
BUT YOU'RE A WELCOME PART OF THE TEAM, FI. SHOULDN'T WE GO LOOKING FOR BEAN?



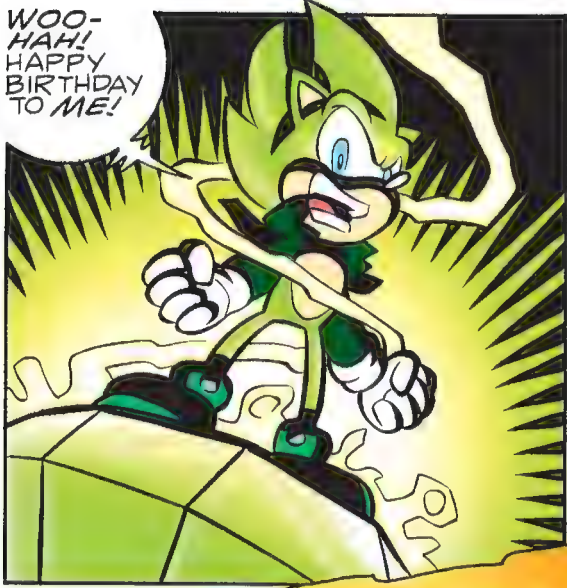
NO NEED.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY, BLUE HEDGEHOG. I CLEANED YOUR YARD FOR YOU.



WOO-HAH!
HAPPY
BIRTHDAY
TO ME!



LOOKS LIKE YOUR
PRIORITIES JUST
SHIFTED.
SERVES YOU
RIGHT, TRAITOR.

NO!!!



GET OFF
OF THE
MASTER
EMERALD!

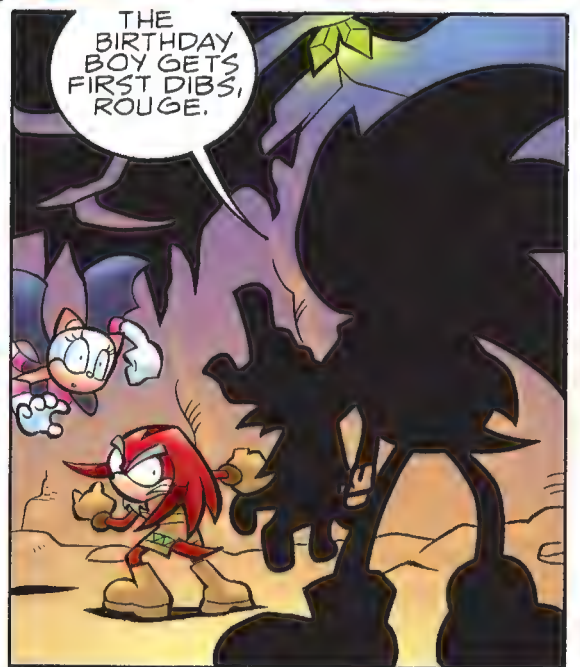


YOU
BOTH HAD
YOUR
CHANCE.

YOU
LIKE TO
PLAY IT
ROUGH,
HUH?
LET'S
GO!



THE
BIRTHDAY
BOY GETS
FIRST DIBS,
ROUGE.



SO, WHAT'S THE OCCASION, FAKER? AS YOU CAN SEE, MY DANCE CARD IS FULL.

I DID NOT COME TO FIGHT, BLUE HEDGEHOG. I CAME TO THANK YOU.

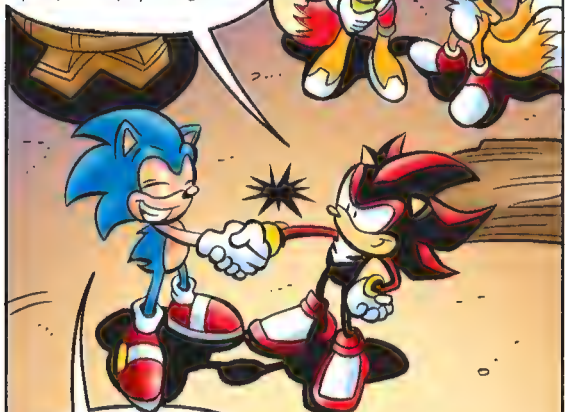
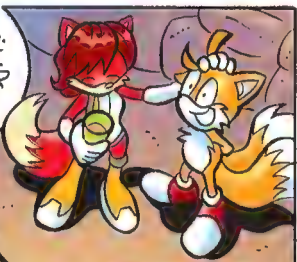


THANK ME?

WITHOUT YOU, THE METAL SONIC TROOPS WOULD'VE KILLED HOPE.* YOU WERE THERE FOR HER WHEN I SHOULD HAVE BEEN. SO... THANK YOU.



KNOW THAT THIS CHANGES NOTHING. FOR THE MOMENT, I WORK WITH DOCTOR ROBOTNIK, AND WE ARE ENEMIES.



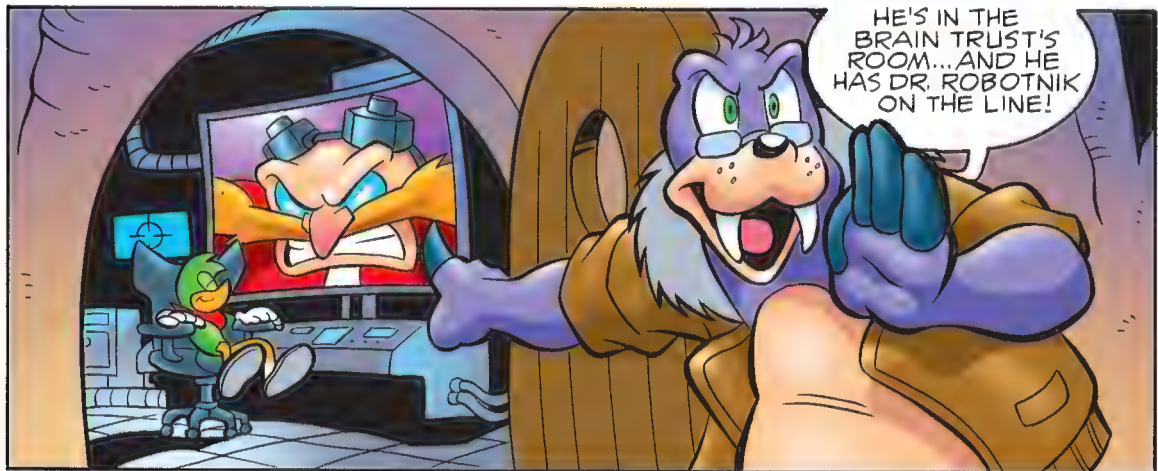
IT'D BE BORING OTHERWISE. FEEL FREE TO GET A CLUE AND QUIT EGGMAN ANY TIME, THOUGH.



WORRIED?

YOU WISH, FAKER.

HAS ANYBODY SEEN BEAN LATELY?



HE'S IN THE BRAIN TRUST'S ROOM... AND HE HAS DR. ROBOTNIK ON THE LINE!

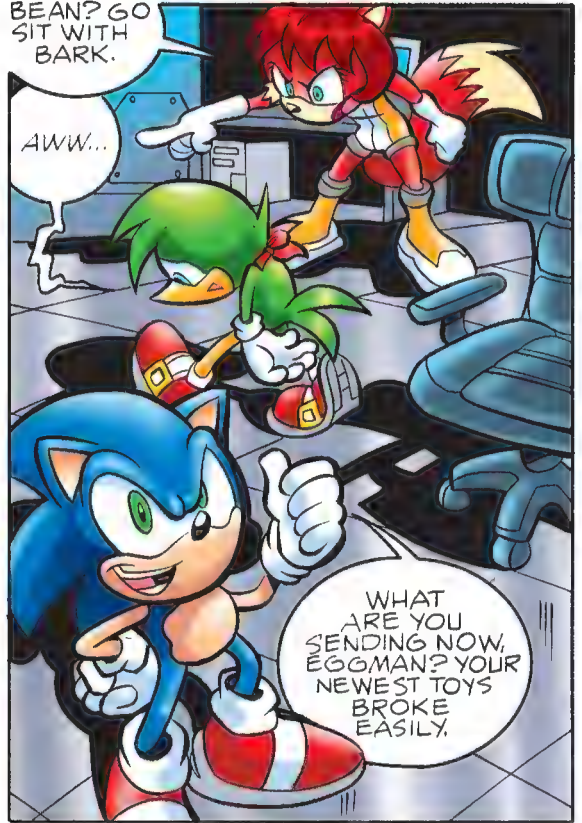
...AND SO,
YEAH, WE
GOT BEAT.
JUST
THOUGHT
I'D LET YOU
KNOW.

NEVER TRUST A MOBIAN
TO DO A ROBOT'S JOB.
YOU'RE FIRED, I'M SEND-
ING ONE OF MY OWN TO
FINISH THE JOB!



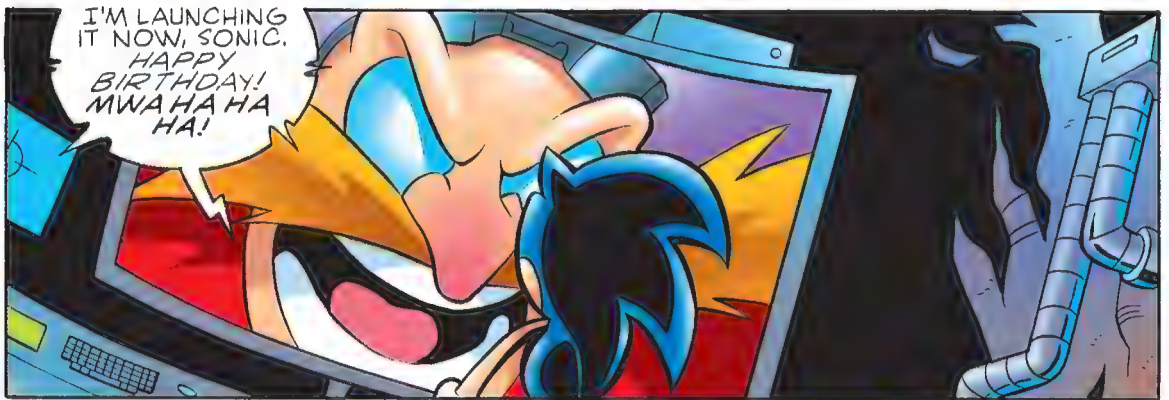
BEAN? GO
SIT WITH
BARK.

AWW...

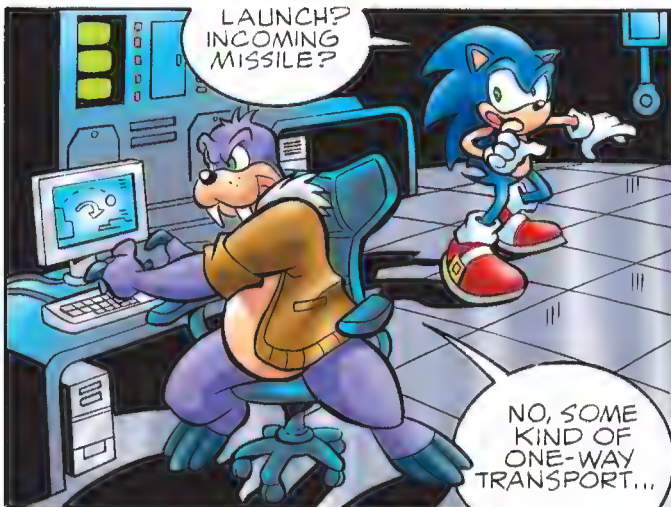


WHAT
ARE YOU
SENDING NOW,
EGGMAN? YOUR
NEWEST TOYS
BROKE
EASILY.

I'M LAUNCHING
IT NOW, SONIC.
HAPPY
BIRTHDAY!
MWAHA HA
HA!



LAUNCH?
INCOMING
MISSILE?



NO, SOME
KIND OF
ONE-WAY
TRANSPORT...

WHUD

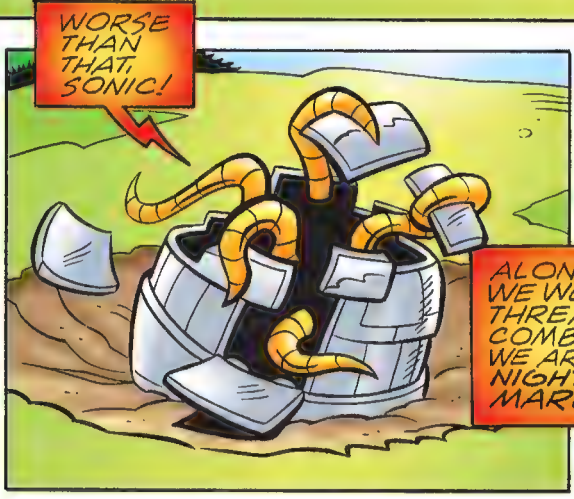
THAT
WAS
FAST.





HISSSSSS

WHO WANTS TO BET HE SENT HIS EGG PINATA OF DOOM?



WORSE THAN THAT, SONIC!

ALONE, WE WERE THREATS. COMBINED, WE ARE A NIGHTMARE!



TREMBLE IN FEAR AT THE TERROR OF CROCTOBOT!



EVIL SONIC...?
?

NOT QUITE, BABE.




BUT A REAL SCOURGE ALL THE SAME.

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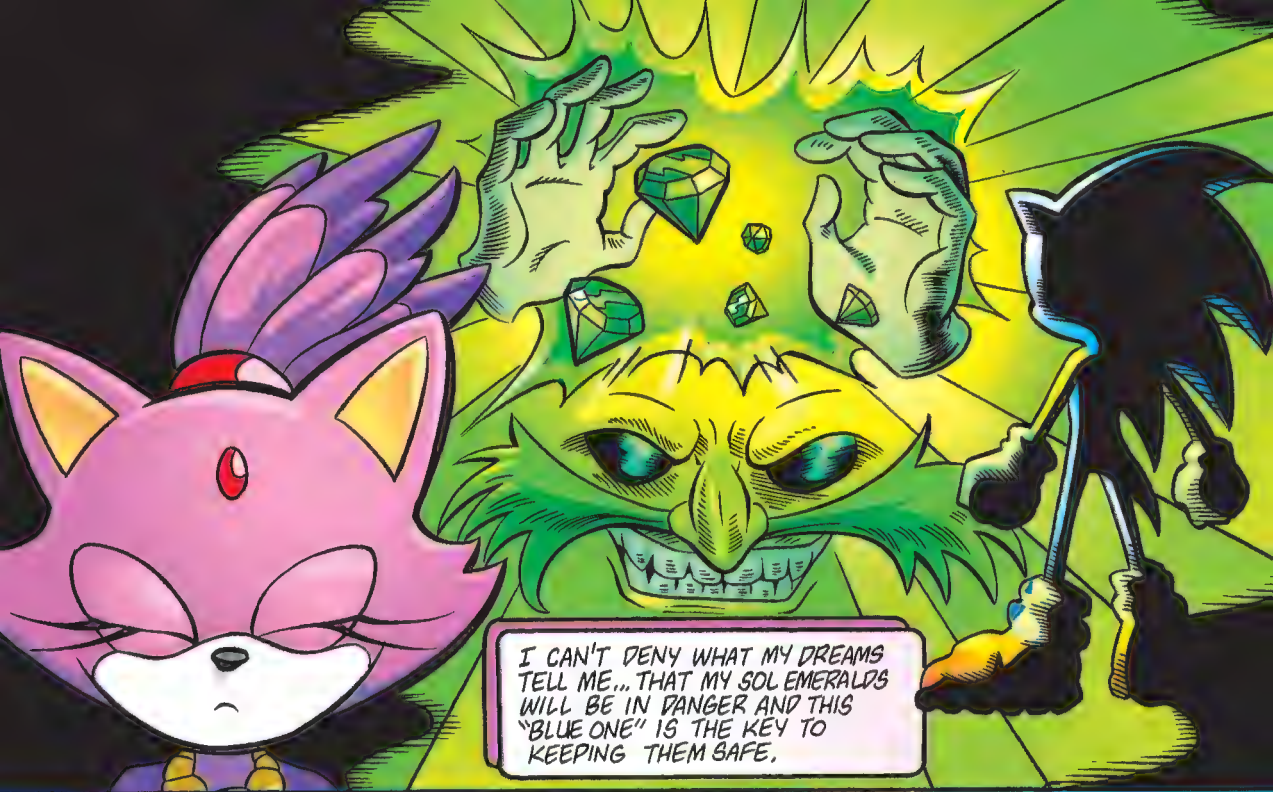
THIS MUST BE THE PLACE WHERE MY DREAM SAID HE'D BE...



...THE MYSTICAL "BLUE ONE".



Hmph. SO THIS "BLUE ONE" LIVES IN SUCH A LITTLE TOWN. IF IT WEREN'T FOR MY DREAMS I WOULD NEVER BELIEVE IT.



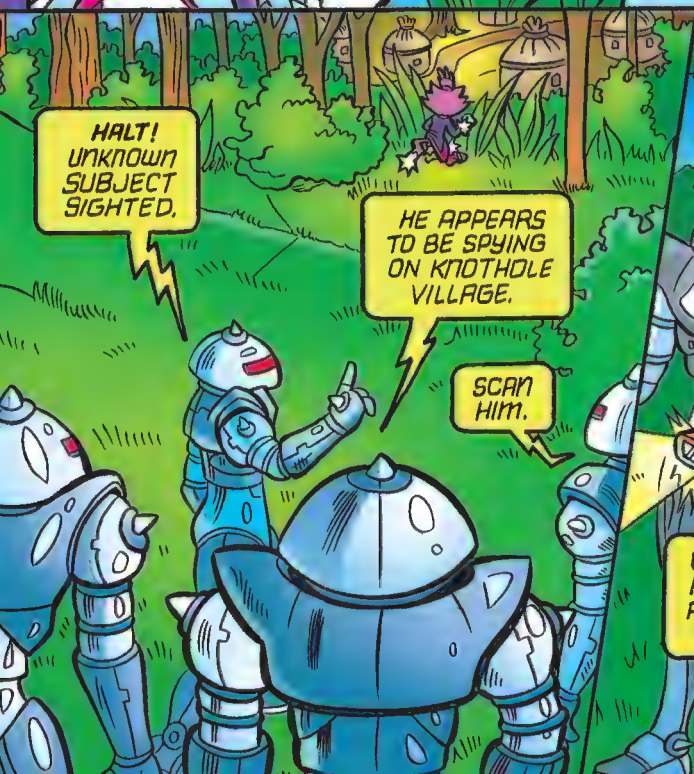
I CAN'T DENY WHAT MY DREAMS TELL ME... THAT MY SOL EMERALDS WILL BE IN DANGER AND THIS "BLUE ONE" IS THE KEY TO KEEPING THEM SAFE.



BUT WHY SHOULD I HAVE TO SEEK THIS "BLUE ONE" OUT WHEN THE SOL EMERALDS ARE MY SOLE RESPONSIBILITY? HOW IRRITATING!



IF THE SOL EMERALDS ARE THREATENED, I MUST PROTECT THEM.



HALT! UNKNOWN SUBJECT SIGHTED.

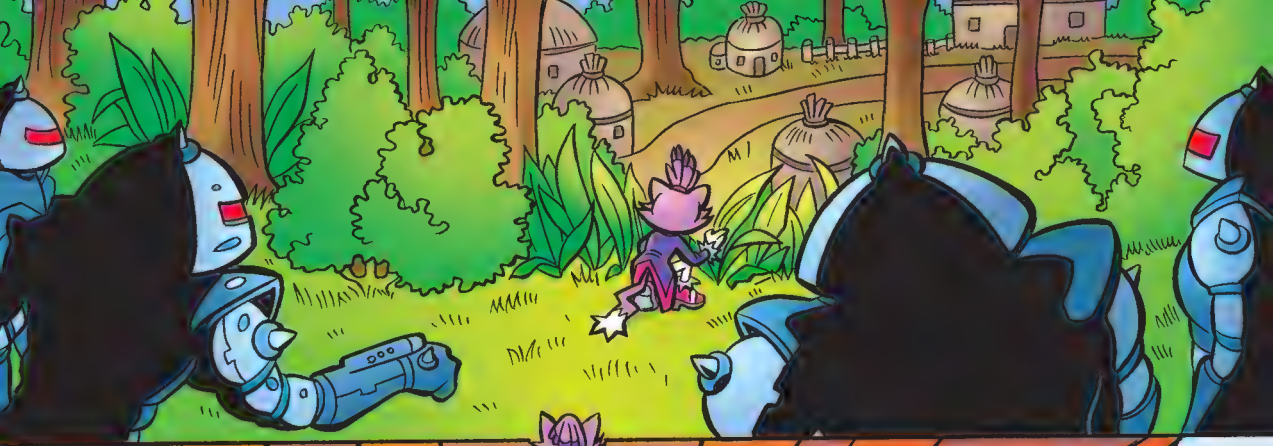
HE APPEARS TO BE SPYING ON KNOTHOLE VILLAGE.

SCAN HIM.

RESULTS UNKNOWN. CANNOT DETERMINE WHETHER HE IS FRIEND OR FOE.

HE'S NOT WITHIN THE PROTECTIVE BOUNDARIES OF THE VILLAGE. TAKE HIM INTO CUSTODY-- WE CAN INTERROGATE HIM LATER.

USE STEALTH. ATTACK WITH A STUN BOLT FIRST.



ZAP

HE'S SO STRONG!

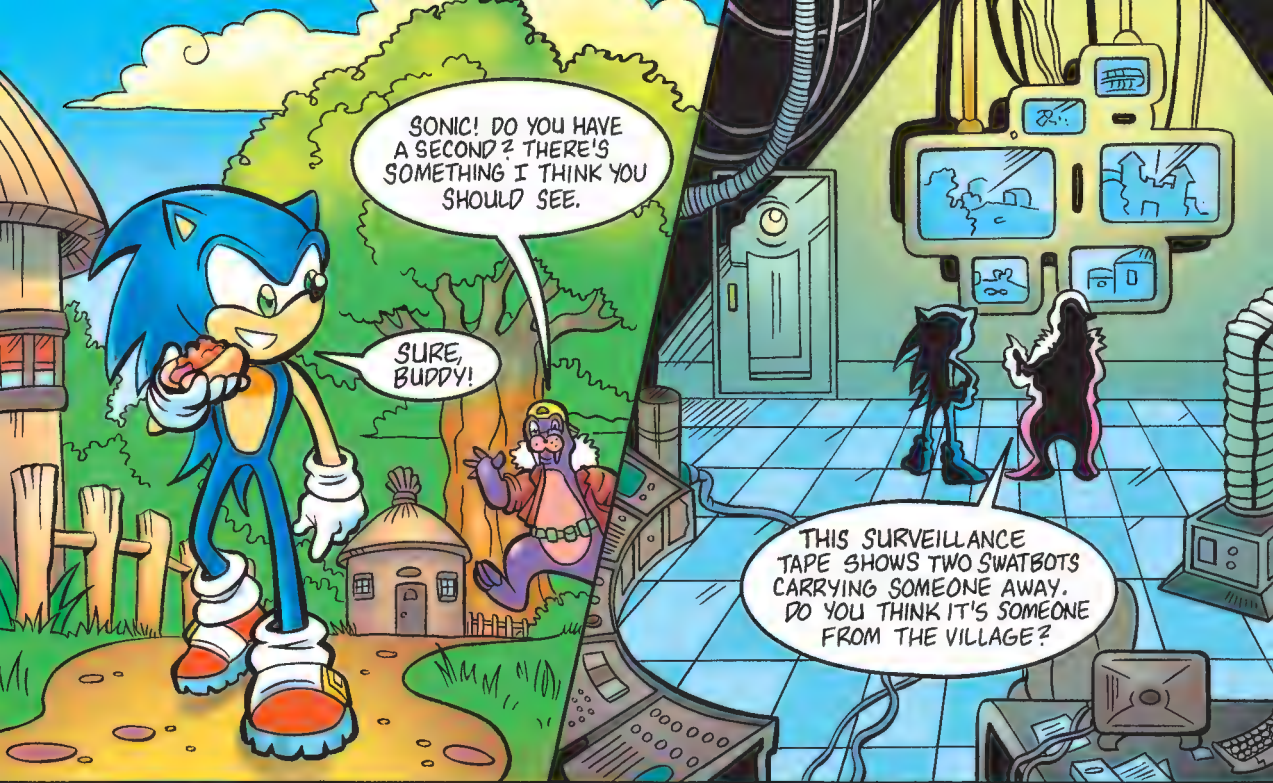
WHO ARE YOU CALLING "HE"?

THWACK

THWACK

KONK

QUICK! RESTRAIN HIM! Er, HER.



SONIC! DO YOU HAVE A SECOND? THERE'S SOMETHING I THINK YOU SHOULD SEE.

SURE, BUDDY!

THIS SURVEILLANCE TAPE SHOWS TWO SWATBOTS CARRYING SOMEONE AWAY. DO YOU THINK IT'S SOMEONE FROM THE VILLAGE?

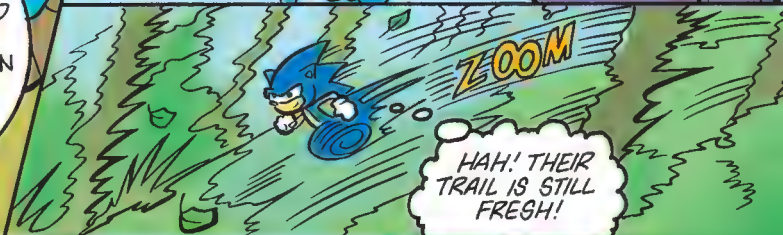


I DON'T THINK SO... WHO ELSE COULD HAVE LEFT A PILE OF BROKEN SWATBOTS BEHIND LIKE THAT?

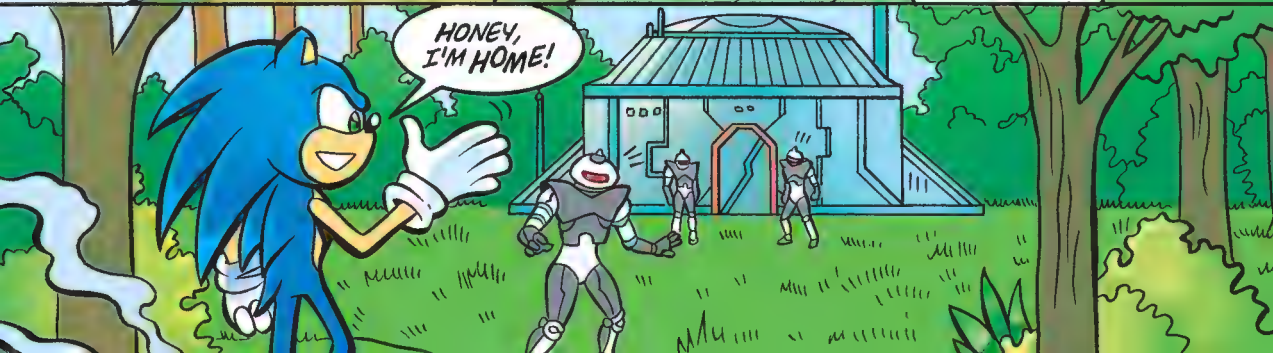
IN ANY CASE, THEY'RE PROBABLY LONG GONE BY NOW. THIS FOOTAGE WAS TAKEN ALMOST AN HOUR AGO...

THAT'S ALL? NO PROBLEMO!

ZOOM



HAH! THEIR TRAIL IS STILL FRESH!



HONEY, I'M HOME!

INSIDE...

DR. ROBOTNIK CREATED US TO RESEARCH AND MONITOR BIO ORGANIC LIFE FORMS BUT I AM CONCERNED THAT MY SCANS ARE MALFUNCTIONING. HER PHYSICAL DATA READINGS ARE... BIZARRE. IT'S ALMOST AS IF SHE WERE FROM ANOTHER WORLD.

ODD...

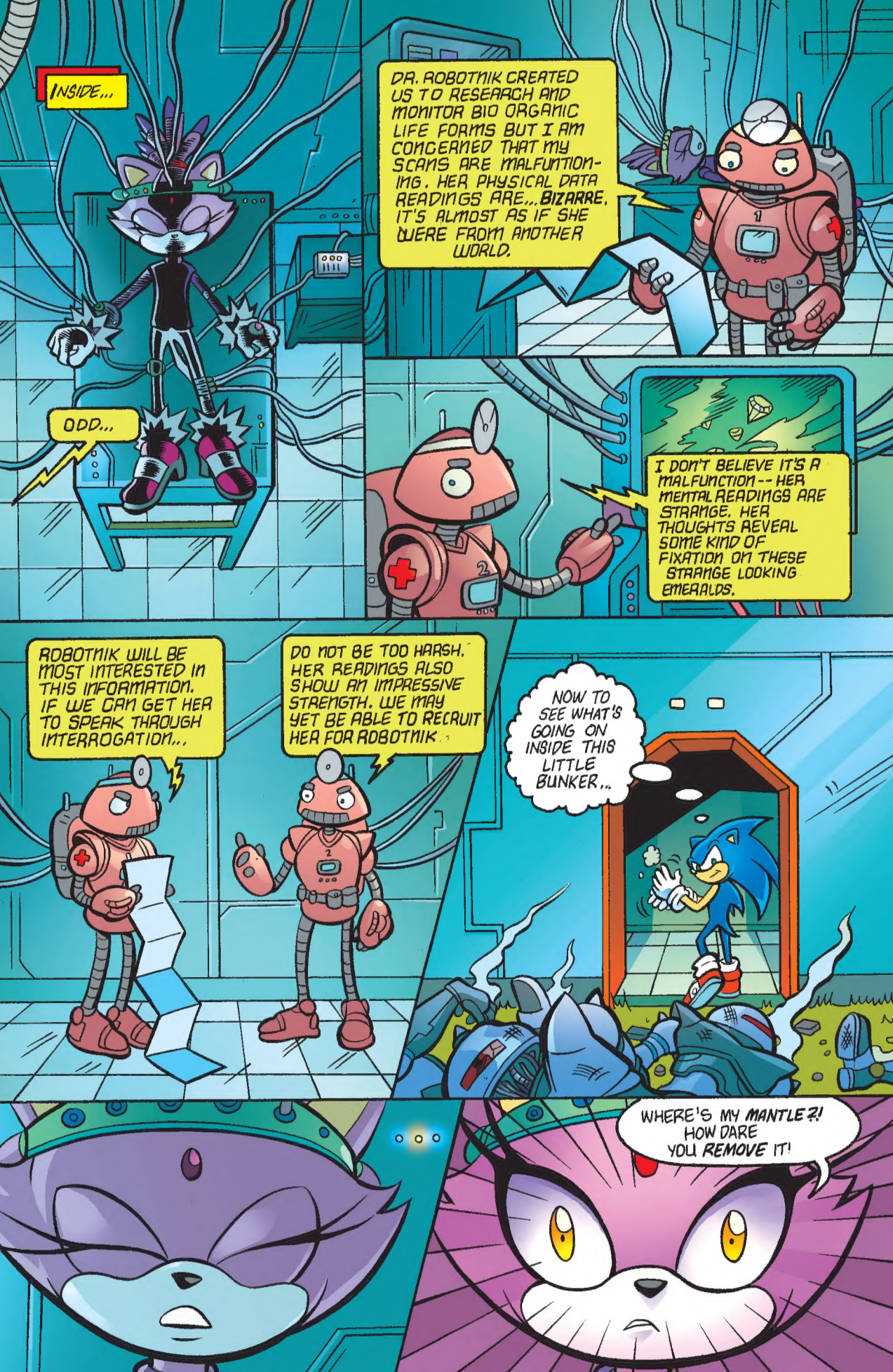
I DON'T BELIEVE IT'S A MALFUNCTION-- HER MENTAL READINGS ARE STRANGE. HER THOUGHTS REVEAL SOME KIND OF FIXATION ON THESE STRANGE LOOKING EMERALDS.

ROBOTNIK WILL BE MOST INTERESTED IN THIS INFORMATION. IF WE CAN GET HER TO SPEAK THROUGH INTERROGATION...

DO NOT BE TOO HARSH. HER READINGS ALSO SHOW AN IMPRESSIVE STRENGTH. WE MAY YET BE ABLE TO RECRUIT HER FOR ROBOTNIK.

NOW TO SEE WHAT'S GOING ON INSIDE THIS LITTLE BUNKER...

WHERE'S MY MANTLE?! HOW DARE YOU REMOVE IT!





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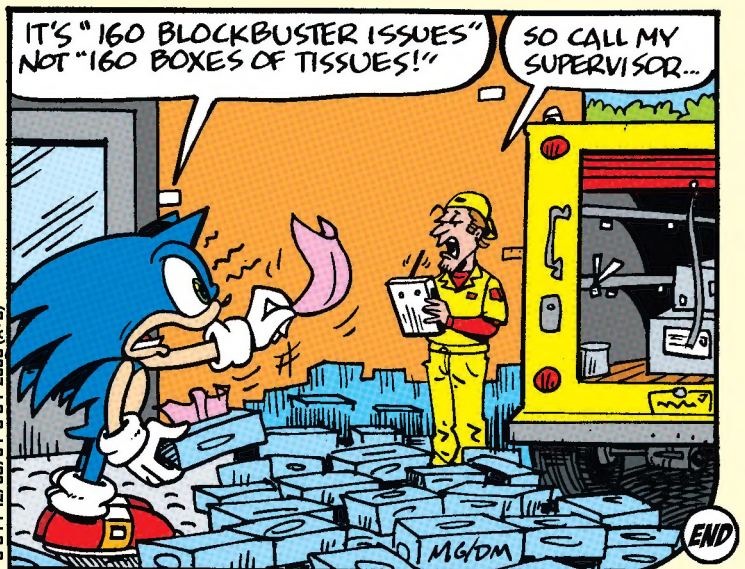
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